

Wednesday's Wisdom

a weekly short note from Mike Minear

What if today were your last day on earth?

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What would you do? Have you ever thought about it?

King Hezekiah did and he asked Isaiah for more time (II Kings 20:1). God granted him 15 more years. And yet, there was an end.

There are 6 things I can think of that would be important.

1. Tell your spouse you love and appreciate them.

The very next time you see your spouse, let them know how much they mean to you. Say those magical words - I Love You!! They will not get tired of hearing it.

2. Hug your children.

This could be the toughest of all - hug them like there is no tomorrow!! They are yours and they need you. God gave them to us and with it the responsibility to do our best to raise them as Christians.

3. Make amends.

I am sorry. The 3 hardest words to say but certainly appreciated. Jesus asked for forgiveness for the people torturing Him and placing Him on the cross as He drew His last breath. The best example of making amends and forgiveness we will ever see.

4. Tell others about Jesus.

This is what it is all about. Bring someone to Jesus. Save a soul.

5. Smell the roses.

Take a moment to appreciate everything around you. Psalm 19:1 David wrote - The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth

His handiwork.

6. Obey the Gospel.

Take one of the last moment you have and do this for yourself. Be selfish, it is OK. No one can do this for you and you cannot do this for someone else.

Matthew 7:21 Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven.

Live every day as if it were your last day and some day you will be right.

We are told that when Jesus comes again it will be as a thief in the night. (I Thess. 5:2 & II Peter 3:10)The analogy is plain. We will not know the day or the time. We must be prepared. Remember the rich man and the beggar Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31) -it was too late for the rich man. Don't be like that.

Note: This is a condensation of a talk Jim did back in 2000 at South Hebrews 5:1-10, Christ, Our Great High Priest Bumby and several other congregations. He did not think he could do it justice, but it seems like sound advice to me. He says that he is available to deliver the full talk at most any time..

This week's video lesson is: (Contact me if you do not have Quicktime)

Hebrews 5:11-14 to 6:1-8, Dangers Of Immaturity And Apostasy

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